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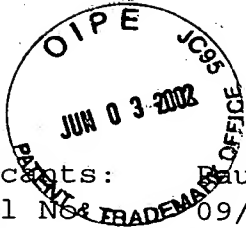


Exhibit A

Amended Claims

--4. (2x amended) A pharmaceutical composition which comprises an effective amount of the [therapeutic] agent of claim [1] 15 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

--6. (2x amended) An expression vector encoding the polypeptide of claim [1] 15.--

--14. (2x amended) A method of producing the [therapeutic] agent of claim [1] 15 which comprises growing the host vector system of claim 6 under suitable conditions permitting production of the [therapeutic] agent and recovering the [therapeutic] agent so produced.--